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RE: Response to Final Office Action

OUR REFERENCE: MSFT-1-17211

YOUR REFERENCE: U.S. Patent App. No. 09/107,110

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MESSAGE: Response to Final Office Action attached. Thank you.

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 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
 EXAMINING GROUP 2100

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Applicants: J.R. Berry et al. Attorney Docket No. MSFT117211
 Application No.: 09/107,110 Group Art Unit: 2173
 Filed: June 30, 1998 Examiner: B. Huynh
 Title: COMPUTER OPERATING SYSTEM THAT DEFINES DEFAULT
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE
AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Seattle, Washington 98101

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Amendment Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

X 1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	21	Minus	26	=	0	x 18.00	= 0.00
Independent Claims	11	Minus	13	=	0	x 84.00	= 0.00
Total Additional Fee for this Amendment							\$0.00

X 2. No fees are due or enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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May 3, 2002

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This communication is in response to the Office Action ("Office Action") mailed on April 2, 2002, in which Claims 1-15, 19-21, 25, 27, and 28 were rejected. Claims 1-15, 21, 25, and 27 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Microsoft Windows 95 Uncut* ("Windows95"), in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,936,624, to Lisle et al. ("Lisle et al."). Claims 19, 20, and 28 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) as being anticipated by Windows95. Thus, the claims pending for reconsideration are Claims 1-15, 19-21, 25, 27, and 28. Applicants also wish to thank the Examiner for taking the time to discuss the Office Action and references during an interview on April 23, 2002, in which it was agreed that Lisle et al. does not teach storing documents themselves, and that Windows95 does not teach including folders in a most-recently-used list of documents. For the reasons set forth below, applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of this application.

Prior to discussing the reasons why applicants believe that the claims in this application are allowable, a brief discussion of the present invention, followed by a brief discussion of the cited and applied references, is presented.

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